GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
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NATIONAL URBAN HOUSING AND HABITAT POLICY
Birla Shri Om

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the salient provisions of the National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy, 2007 along with the details thereof;

(b) whether under the said policy, all the States were required to prepare a separate housing policy;

(c) if so, the number of the States which have prepared the said policy and the number of those which are yet to do so along with the details thereof;

(d) whether the said policy envisages to ensure the availability of land at affordable prices for all the classes of society and to extend other basic amenities to them;

(e) if so, whether the prices of houses are increasing at exorbitant rates in the urban areas despite the implementation of the said policy resulting in rise in number of illegal colonies; and

(f) the action plan of the Government to check the increasing number of illegal colonies and to provide houses at affordable prices?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a):This Ministry formulated National Urban Housing & Habitat Policy (NUHHP), 2007 as a guiding principle to all stakeholders to provide affordable housing to all. Salient features of NUHHP, 2007 are provided in Annexure-1.

(b) to (c):Yes Madam, details are provided in Annexure-ll.

(d):Yes Madam.

(e) to (f): Prices of houses are market driven and are based on demand and supply. Further, 'land' and 'colonization' are State subjects. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the State Governments to check the proliferation of illegal colonies and to provide affordable housing.